## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-27 are currently pending in this application.

## **Double Patenting Rejection**

Claims 1-27 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-29 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/750,129; Claims 1-23 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/744,800; claims 1-23 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/747,297; and claims 1-32 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/750,135. A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith to overcome the nonstatutory double patenting rejections. The withdrawal of the nonstatutory double patenting rejections is respectfully requested.

## Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephone interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

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In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application, including claims 1-27, is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

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